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1 3 AN ACT  
1 4 PROHIBITING THE AWARD OF PETS, OR ADVERTISEMENT THEREOF, IN  
1 5 CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND PROVIDING A PENALTY.  
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1 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
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1 9 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 717E.1 DEFINITIONS.  
1 10 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise  
1 11 requires:  
1 12 1. "Advertise" means to present a commercial message in  
1 13 any medium including but not limited to print, radio,  
1 14 television, sign, display, label, tag, or articulation.  
1 15 2. "Business" means any enterprise relating to any of the  
1 16 following:  
1 17 a. The sale or offer for sale of goods or services.  
1 18 b. A recruitment for employment or membership in an  
1 19 organization.  
1 20 c. A solicitation to make an investment.  
1 21 d. An amusement or entertainment activity.  
1 22 3. "Fair" means any of the following:  
1 23 a. The annual fair and exposition held by the Iowa state  
1 24 fair board pursuant to chapter 173 or any fair held by a  
1 25 county or district fair or agricultural society under the  
1 26 provisions of chapter 174.  
1 27 b. An exhibition of agricultural or manufactured products.  
1 28 c. An event for operation of amusement rides or devices or  
1 29 concession booths.  
1 30 4. "Game" means a "game of chance" or "game of skill" as  
1 31 defined in section 99B.1.  
1 32 5. "Pet" means a living animal which is limited to a dog,  
1 33 cat, or an animal normally maintained in a small tank or cage  
1 34 in or near a residence, including but not limited to a rabbit,  
1 35 gerbil, hamster, mouse, parrot, canary, mynah, finch, tropical  
2 1 fish, goldfish, snake, turtle, gecko, or iguana.  
2 2 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 717E.2 PET AWARDS PROHIBITED.  
2 3 A person is guilty of a simple misdemeanor if the person  
2 4 awards a pet or advertises that a pet may be awarded as any of  
2 5 the following:  
2 6 1. A prize for participating in a game.  
2 7 2. A prize for participating in a fair event.  
2 8 3. An inducement or condition for visiting a place of  
2 9 business or attending an event sponsored by a business.  
2 10 4. An inducement or condition for executing a contract  
2 11 which includes provisions unrelated to the ownership, care, or  
2 12 disposition of the pet.  
2 13 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 717E.3 EXCEPTIONS.  
2 14 This chapter shall not apply to any of the following:  
2 15 1. A pet shop licensed pursuant to section 162.5 if the  
2 16 award of a pet is provided in connection with the sale of a  
2 17 pet on the premises of the pet shop.  
2 18 2. Youth programs associated with 4-H clubs; future  
2 19 farmers of America; the Izaak Walton league of America; or  
2 20 organizations associated with outdoor recreation, hunting, or  
2 21 fishing including but not limited to the Iowa sportsmen's  
2 22 federation.

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2 27 CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS  
2 28 Speaker of the House  
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2 31 JEFFREY M. LAMBERTI  
2 32 President of the Senate  
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2 34 I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and  
2 35 is known as House File 2480, Eightieth General Assembly.

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Chief Clerk of the House

3 6 Approved \_\_\_\_\_, 2004  
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